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SUBJECT: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

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1. POST WISHES TO NOMINATE ING. JOSE A. VILLACIS, TECHNICAL
DIRECTOR OF THE ECUADOREAN PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SERVICE
(SECAP) FOR REF PROJECT.

2. SECAP IS THE NATION-WIDE GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTION
THAT PROVIDES MID-LEVEL TRAINING IN AREAS OF PRIORITY
INTEREST AS DETERMINED BY THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN,
I.E. AGRICULTURE, INDUSTRY, FISHERIES AND TRADE/SERVICES.
AS TECHNICAL DIRECTOR, ING. VILLACIS HAS DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY
FOR IMPLEMENTING PROGRAMS AND EXPERIMENTING WITH NEW
EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS FOR BETTER USE OF HUMAN AND FINANCIAL
RESOURCES.

3. SIGNIFICANT PAST POSITIONS:
- ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, MERCHANT MARINE SCHOOL, 1965
- DIRECTOR, CENTER OF NAVAL INSTRUCTION (TECHNICAL SCHOOL), 1966
- NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS, MINISTRY
OF PUBLIC WORKS, 1970-71
- TECHNICAL MANAGER, ISEL-ECUADOR (ITT SUBSIDIARY), 1974-76

4. PERSONAL DATA: BORN IN LATACUNGA, ECUADOR, 1936.
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MARRIED. TWO SONS. HOME ADDRESS: JORGE JUAN 828.

5. EDUCATION:
- "MEJIA" HIGH SCHOOL, QUITO, 1948-54, H.S. DIPLOMA
- ECUADOREAN NAVAL SCHOOL, 1954-58
- NAVAL POLYTECHNIC ACADEMY, VINA DEL MAR, CHILE, 1961-63,

DEGREE IN ELECTRONICS

6. MEMBERSHIPS:

- ECUADOREAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL, 1967-70
- ECUADOREAN ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION, 1970-72
- ASSOCIATION OF ELECTRIC AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERS, QUITO

7. TRAVEL ABROAD:

- CHILE, STUDIES, 1961-63
- U.S., NAVAL OPERATIONS, NORFOLK NAVAL SHIPYARD, PORTSMOUTH, VA., 1967
- COLOMBIA, BRAZIL - ECUADOREAN DELEGATE TO INTERAMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCES
- GENEVA, ECUADOREAN DELEGATE TO SEMINAR ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANNING, 1969

8. KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: GOOD

9. VISITOR'S INTERESTS:

- TO OBSERVE A VOCATIONAL TRAINING SYSTEM CARRIED OUT THROUGH MOBILE UNITS.
- TO GET DETAILED INFORMATION ON:

A) VOCATIONAL COUNSELING AND SELECTION CRITERIA.

B) METHODOLOGY FOR INSTRUCTORS' TRAINING.

C) PREPARATION OF TEACHING MATERIAL.

D) STATISTICS AND INFORMATION PROCESSING IN VOCATIONAL
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EDUCATION.

E) CODIFICATION, STORAGE, AND CONTROL SYSTEMS FOR EDUCATIONAL
MATERIAL.

REASON FOR NOMINATION: AS TECHNICAL DIRECTOR FOR THE
NATIONAL PROGRAM IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING IN ECUADOR, ING.
VILLACIS IS IN A POSITION TO TRANSMIT THE BENEFITS OF
THIS PROGRAM TO PRODUCTIVE USE UPON HIS RETURN.

10. POST OBJECTIVE OF U.S. VISIT - ECUADOR IS RAPIDLY
ATTEMPTING TO INCREASE ITS SUPPLY OF SKILLED LABOR TO MEET
THE DEMANDS OF ITS GROWING INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL
DEVELOPMENT. OUR WILLINGNESS TO OFFER NEEDED EXPOSURE
TO THE NATIONAL TECHNICAL DIRECTOR FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
WHILE THE PROGRAM IS JUST GETTING OFF THE GROUND WILL
ASSURE A MAJOR IMPACT IN FUTURE DIRECTIONS IN THIS IMPORTANT
FIELD.

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